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issue without being informed, and that's what I did. Sure is quiet in here today. I know you all like this. The reason, among just coming clean, that I'm doing this is so that when I croak some of the pleasure will be taken away from you because I'm giving you a bit of it right now. You will not be able to smile quite as broadly. You will not be able to laugh quite as heartily, because this will not be in the mix. I'm going to listen to the discussion, because it appears to me, from what Senator Beutler has presented to us, that there is a skewed situation here as far as judges and their retirement plan are concerned. And I don't care what has gone forth up to this time, when I get new information I have to act on it. And I'm saying these things for the record so that the people who understand these...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...issues will explain what is on the chart that Senator Beutler gave us, why the bill is in its current form. I would love to have somebody give an explanation that will allow me to stand up and say, you know, I thought I was wrong but I was really right. But I doubt that that's going to happen. So anybody who can account for what is here, in a rational way, that justifies it and makes it acceptable, I hope that person will stand, I hope that information will be forthcoming. Otherwise, Senator Beutler has really caught my interest, as I stated at the outset. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Bourne, followed by Senators Brashear, Beutler, and Stuhr. Senator Bourne, on AM1780.

SENATOR BOURNE: Thank you, Mr. President, members. Thank you, Senator Chambers. That's twice this year that he's done something like this. I just want to add a little clarity to this. I have served on the Retirement Committee for five years and, quite honestly, it's difficult material and I'm, since this is confession day, I'm still trying to get a handle on it as well. And actually I wanted to engage in a little conversation with Senator Beutler, if he would yield.